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SPECIAL MEASURES

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1. PLEASED TO SEE AGREEMENT THAT PRESIDENT OF AD HOC
COMMITTEE WILL BE WEO. WE APPROVE NORWAY IF
APPROPRIATE CANDIDATE AVAILABLE OR ALTERNATELY UK OR FRG.

2. CONCERNED WITH SUGGESTION PARA 4 REFTEL THAT AD HOC
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COMMITTEE MIGHT BE CHARGED WITH INITIAL PROPOSALS TO

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IMPLEMENT PROGRAM OF ACTION. OUR VIEW IS THAT PARA 6 OF SPECIAL PROGRAM ASSIGNS ONLY THREE FUNCTIONS TO AD HOC COMMITTEE, I.E., RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ORGANIZATION OF THE FUND INCLUDING A MONITORING BODY FOR BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL MEASURES, A TEMPORARY MONITORING ACTION, AND AN ASSESSMENT OF DIFFICULTIES FACING MSA'S AND THEIR NEED FOR AID. WE READ THIS CHARTER AS BEING TOTALLY EXCLUSIVE OF THE PRECEDING NINE SECTIONS OF THE PROGRAM OF ACTION AND USUN SHOULD RESIST ANY PROPOSALS TO INTRODUCE SUBJECTS COVERED IN THOSE PARTS INTO THE AD HOC COMMITTEE WORK.

3. THE AD HOC COMMIETEE WILL OF COURSE HAVE TO CONSIDER HOW IT WILL INFORM ITSELF TO ACCOMPLISH THE BROAD ASSESSMENT. WE PLAN TO SUGGEST THAT PRIMARY RELIANCE BE PLACED ON THE IBRD AND IMF FOR BASIC ANALYSES TO BE COMMENTED UPON AND SUPPLEMENTED BY UNCTAD, UNDP, AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS THEMSELVES. UNDERSTAND PREBISCH HAS ASKED FOR LDC'S TO SUPPLY BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DATA TO SUPPORT THEIR CLAIMS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE. WE DOUBT PREBISCH WOULD BE CAPABLE WITH HIS LIMITED STAFF TO UNDERTAKE NECESSARY ANALYSES TO ARRIVE AT MEANINGFUL CONCLUSIONS ON SPECIAL AID NEEDS IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME. APPRECIATE YOUR RECENT CONFIRMATION THAT PREBISCH HAS NO DIRECT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE AD HOC COMMITTEE AND THAT HIS MAJOR FUNCTION AT THIS POINT IS TO CONTACT GOVERNMENTS TO ENCOURAGE MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTIONS TO A 12-MONTH IMPORT PROGRAM FOR MSA'S EITHER BILATERALLY, MULTILATERALLY, OR THROUGH CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SYG'S SPECIAL ACCOUNT AS SPECIFIED IN PARA 2 OF THE SPECIAL PROGRAM. RECOGNIZE THAT SYG WOULD NEED DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS AS COUNTRIES MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO HIS SPECIAL ACCOUNT IF THIS FUNCTION LEFT TO HIM BY GOVERNMENTS. FOR THIS PURPOSE SOME SORT OF PROGRAM AND SYSTEM OF PRIORITIES WOULD NEED TO BE ESTABLISHED.

4. SO FAR ONLY CONTRIBUTION KNOWN TO US IS USUN REPORT OF $100 MILLION CONTRIBUTION TO EMERGENCY PROGRAM OVER 2 YEARS BY VENEZUELA. U.S. REPORT TO SECRETARY-GENERAL CONFIDENTIAL

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WILL NOT MEET JUNE 15 DEADLINE BUT MAY BE AVAILABLE SOME TIME IN JULY.

5. WE AGREE YOUR CONCLUSION THAT AD HOC COMMITTEE WILL REQUIRE FULL-TIME COVERAGE FOR CONSIDERABLE PERIOD. WOULD HOPE THAT AD HOC COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP WOULD NOT HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES RE 57TH ECOSOC AND COULD MEET CONCURRENTLY WITH 57TH SESSION OR SUBSEQUENTLY SINCE

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IT SHOULD NOT BE CONCERNED WITH ACTION PROGRAM ISSUES
TAKEN UP IN SPECIAL SESSION.

6. UNDERSTAND FIRST MEETING NOW PROBABLY SCHEDULED
FOR 17 JUNE. IN VIEW AMBASSADOR FERGUSON'S PRESENT PLANS
TO ATTEND UNDP MEETING, WE PROPOSE KITCHEN AS INTERIM
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO BE ASSISTED INITIALLY BY TANK
IO/CMD AND USUN SANDERS. IF COMMITTEE BECOMES MORE
SUBSTANTIAL OTHERS MAY BE ADDED TO DELEGATION.
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